

A PROGRAM TO BENEFIT

MAKE A:WISH.



Welcome to Kids For Wish Kids®!

Dear Friend of Make-A-Wish,

On behalf of Make-A-Wish® Hawaii and the children whose lives we touch, I would like to introduce you to an amazing program called Kids For Wish Kids®. The program provides local schools the opportunity to engage students in philanthropy and service activities through sponsoring wishes for children with life-threatening medical conditions. This proactive approach provides teachers and staff with the tools to start a community service program within your school's curriculum or organized clubs (student council, service club, key club).

With over 50 schools participating, the Kids For Wish Kids program has proven to be beneficial for not only wish children but students as well. Students walk away with having learned the importance of community involvement and philanthropy, leadership skills, building self-esteem, and how to work with others toward a common goal. All of this while helping others and having fun!

We know that schools want to get involved in community service projects, but have busy calendars and aren't always sure where to begin. In order to eliminate some of this uncertainty and make things easier we have created this Kids for Wish Kids Action Pack to help you get started.

Teaching children about giving back to the community is important to schools and Make-A-Wish Foundation and we want to help you help everyone. Thank you in advance for choosing to *Share the Power of a Wish*®. We can't wait to help you help kids!

Sincerely, Siana Austin Hunt President & CEO, Make-A-Wish Hawaii



















About Kids For Wish Kids

"Kids for Wish Kids®" is a Make-A-Wish® Hawaii program that enables students to discover philanthropy by selecting their own fundraising project and managing it from start to finish, with little or no help from their teachers or advisers. Students are responsible for coming up with fundraising ideas and carrying them out. Teachers and parents often serve as advisers but ownership of the group belongs solely to the students involved. Students develop leadership skills, build self-esteem and learn about teamwork while working towards a final goal, making a difference in the life of a child who is fighting overwhelming odds.

"Kids for Wish Kids" fosters the value of community service by providing kids with hands-on experience in helping to grant wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions. It also provides a mechanism for building school spirit and creating additional partnerships between children and teachers outside of the classroom.

Make-A-Wish Hawaii

Make-A-Wish® Hawaii is a charitable non-profit organization whose purpose is to grant wishes to children who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition. We believe in the "power of a wish."

Since its inception in 1982, the Hawaii Chapter of Make-A-Wish has granted over 800 wishes to children in Hawaii, and we expect to grant more than 50 wishes this year. We annually support over 650 Wish Kids and their families who chose to come to Hawaii as their one true wish. With a staff of six employees and many dedicated volunteers, the Hawaii chapter is an independent 501(c)(3) with a local governing board, and all of the funds raised stay in in Hawaii to grant wishes to local kids.

"We grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy"

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Bake Sale - Ask parents to send baked goods for students to sell at lunch, after school or community events.

Spirit Chain - Students create a paper chain in school colors with links sold for \$1 each. It can be used to decorate hallways or gymnasiums. Great for pep clubs!

Bingo - Funds are raised through prices paid for the cards, generally 25 cents each. You can ask the community to donate prices!

Compete in a Paper Chain war - Each grade level competes to make the longest paper chain. Each grade makes a different color chain. Links are sold for \$1 each.

Host a Spelling Bee - Each student is charged a small fee to participate. The best speller wins a small price.

Compete in a Penny War - Each grade level competes against others to collect the most pennies. Students are encouraged to put nickels, dimes and quarters in other grades' containers in order to get the corresponding amount of pennies subtracted from other grades' total count.

5 TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL EVENT!

- 1. HAVE FUN
- 2. BE CREATIVE
- 3. INVOLVE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY
- 4. ASK QUESTIONS
- 5. TRY TO SECURE A PRICE FOR WINNER

Go Holiday Caroling - Just gather your friends and sing holiday songs to your neighbor.

Hold a Guesing Game - Students guess the number of candy pieces in a jar. The sturent closest to the correct amount wins the candy!

Compete in a Cartwheel Contest - Students get pledges from relatives and friends and do as many cartwheels as they can. The student that does the most cartwheels wins a price.

Jog Around your School - Students get pledges from friends and relatives. Mark a one-mile course for the run. The top two runners and the top fund raiser from each grade level wins small prices.

Give Holiday Donation - Instead of gift exchange or buying gifts for your teachers, make a donation to Make-A-Wish in their honor













A recent wish granted in Hawaii...





Inside of every girl is a shining star waiting to come out. Sixteen year old Gillyn is that shining star. However, her room made her feel like she was still a little girl in a pink princess palace. Some people might only have thought of her as a girl fighting Neuroblastoma, which is why her room needed a serious upgrade to reflect who she really is—a beautiful and mature young woman with a great sense of style.

It was no surprise when Gillyn wished to give her room a total makeover. It was out with all the pink and in with a color that fit her bright and vibrant personality. New hardwood floors, a built in chair swing hanging from the ceiling, and shades of lavender, plum, and lilac filled the room, turning her former "pink palace" into an elegant room fit for a superstar, exceeding all of her expectations. But what made it extra special was the ear to ear smile it put on Gillyn's face.

Gillyn's new room was exactly what she wished for. It was a vision in purple (Gillyn's favorite color) and she couldn't be happier. So happy that she felt the need to make another wish! "I wish I could show you how happy my heart is."

High School Senior Projects

At Make-A-Wish Hawaii we get a lot of inquiries about High School projects, internships, and Senior Projects. We want you to know that the opportunity to collaborate with teenagers to support their projects while teaching the importance of community and filanthrophy is something we warmly welcome. Here are some ideas of what a High School project may look like!

Hold a Band or Coral Concert - Plan a holiday or spring concert with your school's band and/or chorus. Charge a small admission fee or pass around a collection can to obtain donations.

Host a Walk for Wishes - Reserve your schools track field and host one of the nation wide Walk for Wishes events in collaboration with Make-A-Wish Hawaii.

Plan a car wash - Work with a local service station to plan a Wahses for Wishes car wash.

Hold a Dress Down Day - If your school has a dress code, students can contribute a small fee to wear cashual clothes to school for the day. Teachers can participate in Dress Down Days too!

Intern at Make-A-Wish - Learn more about our organization by working in our offices on a regular basics!



How we grant wishes...

STEP ONE: The Wish Referral

Out of respect for the privacy of the children and families the Make-A-Wish Foundation serves, only these sources may refer a child:

- a medical professional treating the child;
- the child's parents or legal guardians;
- the potential wish child.





STEP TWO: Determining the Child's Eligibility

Children older than 2½ and younger than 18 (at the time of referral) diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition may be eligible for a wish. The treating physician, certified nurse practitioner or certified physician assistant determines whether a child is medically eligible to receive a wish. A child also must not have received a wish from another wish-granting organization to qualify.

STEP THREE: Choosing a Wish

Once the child is deemed medically eligible, we send one of our enthusiastic wish teams to learn the child's one true wish. These passionate volunteers help children explore their imaginations for the experience that will thrill and inspire them.



Wishes generally fall into one of these categories:

I wish to have...

I wish to be...

I wish to go...



STEP FOUR: Making a Wish Come True

Finally, our wish granters create an unforgettable experience driven by the wish kid's creativity. The experience enriches the lives of the children, their families and sometimes their entire community. All members of the wish kid's immediate family take part in the wish whenever possible, and all wish expenses are fully covered by the Foundation – giving the wish kid and family a respite from the stress of dealing with a life-threatening medical condition. In many cases, the allure of a wish experience is a source of inspiration for children undergoing difficult medical treatments and a positive force that helps them overcome their obstacles.















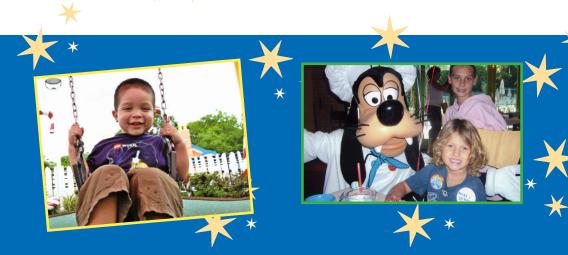


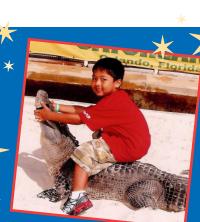
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We are delighted that you are doing a project for Make-A-Wish. Please note that the Make-A-Wish name and marks cannot be used without written approval from Make-A-Wish® Hawaii.

Please return the completed form to:

Make-A-Wish Foundation of Hawaii Attn: Camilla Crescenzo P.O. Box 1877 Honolulu, HI 96815









If you want more information, call or email us today!

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